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#### ABSTRACT

Data for the 6300A line of atomic oxygen from the main body airglow photometer on the OGO-4 satellite have been summarized in a set of 19 maps for various local times at night between August 30, 1967 and January 10, 1968. This report is a supplement to "An Atlas of Low Latitude 6300 [OI] Night Airglow from OGO-1 Observations" by Reed, E.I., W.B. Bowler, and J.E. Blamont, GSFC X-625-72-171 (submitted for publication to J. Geophysical Research). It consists of the 19 color maps and a figure showing magnetic apex coordinates on the same scale.

Data for the 6300A line of atomic oxygen from the OGO-4 main body airglow photometer have been assembled into a set of color maps. Each map indicates the emission rate of the 6300A line between  $40^{\circ}\text{N}$  and  $40^{\circ}\text{S}$  latitude at a particular local time, as compiled from data gathered over a period of 2 to 4 days. Details of local time and data coverage are given in Table 1. A discussion of the observations is found in Reed, Fowler, and Blamont (1972). This set of maps is a supplement to that report.

Magnetic apex coordinates, designed for use in the organization of observations of plasma density in the  $F_2$  region in low and middle latitudes, described by VanZandt, Clark, and Warnock (1972) are given in Figure 1 for an altitude of 300 km on the grid scale used for the maps of airglow data.

TABLE 1

MAP	START			END			NO of ORBITS	LOCAL TIME
	MONTH DAY	TIME	ORBIT	MONTH DAY	TIME	ORBIT		
1	8/30	0844	482	9/2	0537	524	31	0310
2	9/4	0254	552	9/7	0619	598	32	0246
3	9/7	1049	601	9/9	1345	632	16	0228
4	9/25	2219	873	9/28	1100	910	32	0044
5	9/28	1847	915	10/2	0617	966	32	0026
6	10/3	2102	990	10/6	1929	1033	35	2358
7	10/7	1441	1045	10/10	1622	1090	30	2337
8	10/10	1917	1092	10/13	1111	1131	27	2320
9	10/22	2120	1270	10/26	0708	1320	33	2210
10	10/26	1812	1327	10/30	0400	1377	34	2146
11	10/30	1957	1387	11/1	1438	1413	14	2127
12	11/2	1128	1426	11/5	0635	1467	26	2107
13	11/18	0027	1655	11/20	1757	1695	13	1932
14	11/22	2143	1727	11/25	0033	1758	30	1908
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16	12/25	2332	2215	12/28	1522	2254	29	0336
17	12/29	0403	2262	12/30	2243	2288	19	0318
18	1/1	2312	2318	1/5	2020	2375	26	0246
19	1/6	0052	2378	1/10	0746	2441	41	0219

Periods in 1967-8 covered by the set of 19 maps. Start and end times are given by month, day of month, hour and minute of Universal Time (GMT). Local time in hours and minutes is average local time at the geodetic equator. The number of orbits used in the preparation of each map is stated. Map 5, 10, 14, and 17 are reproduced with this paper.

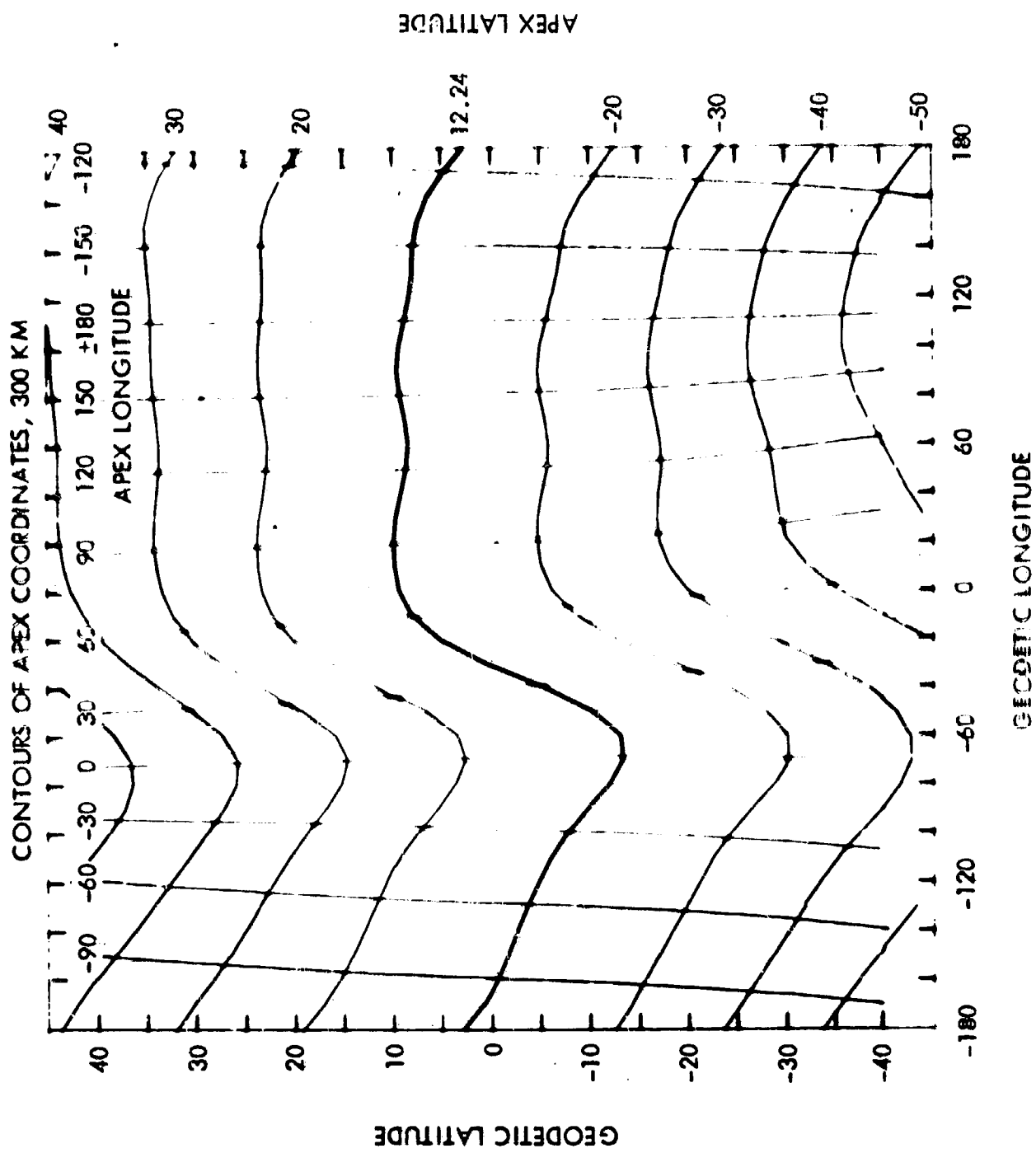
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**FIGURE CAPTION**

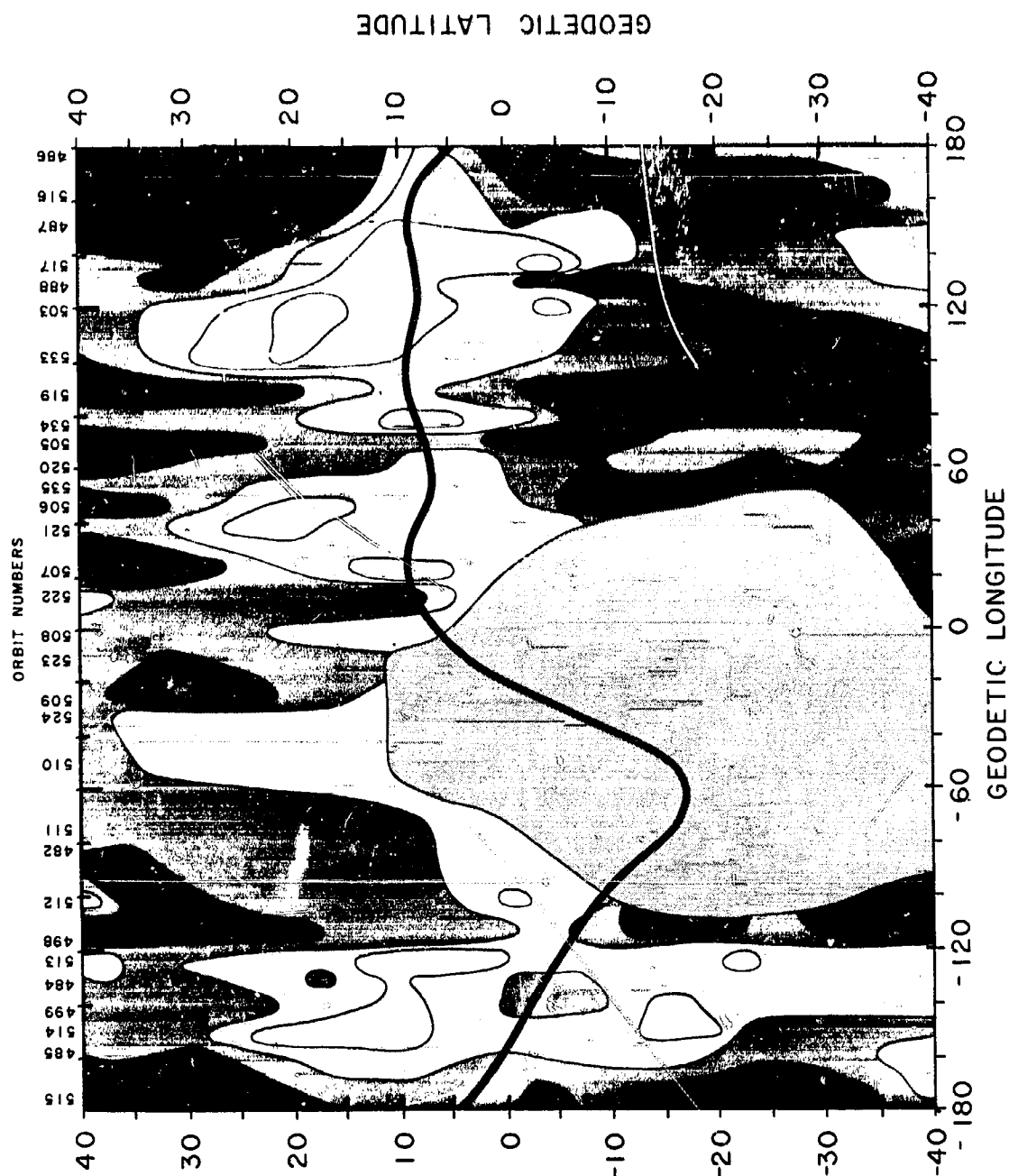
**Figure 1. Magnetic Apex Coordinates at an altitude of  
300 km.**

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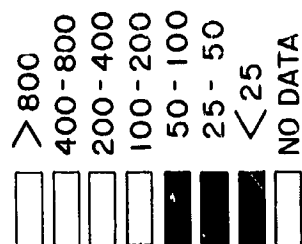


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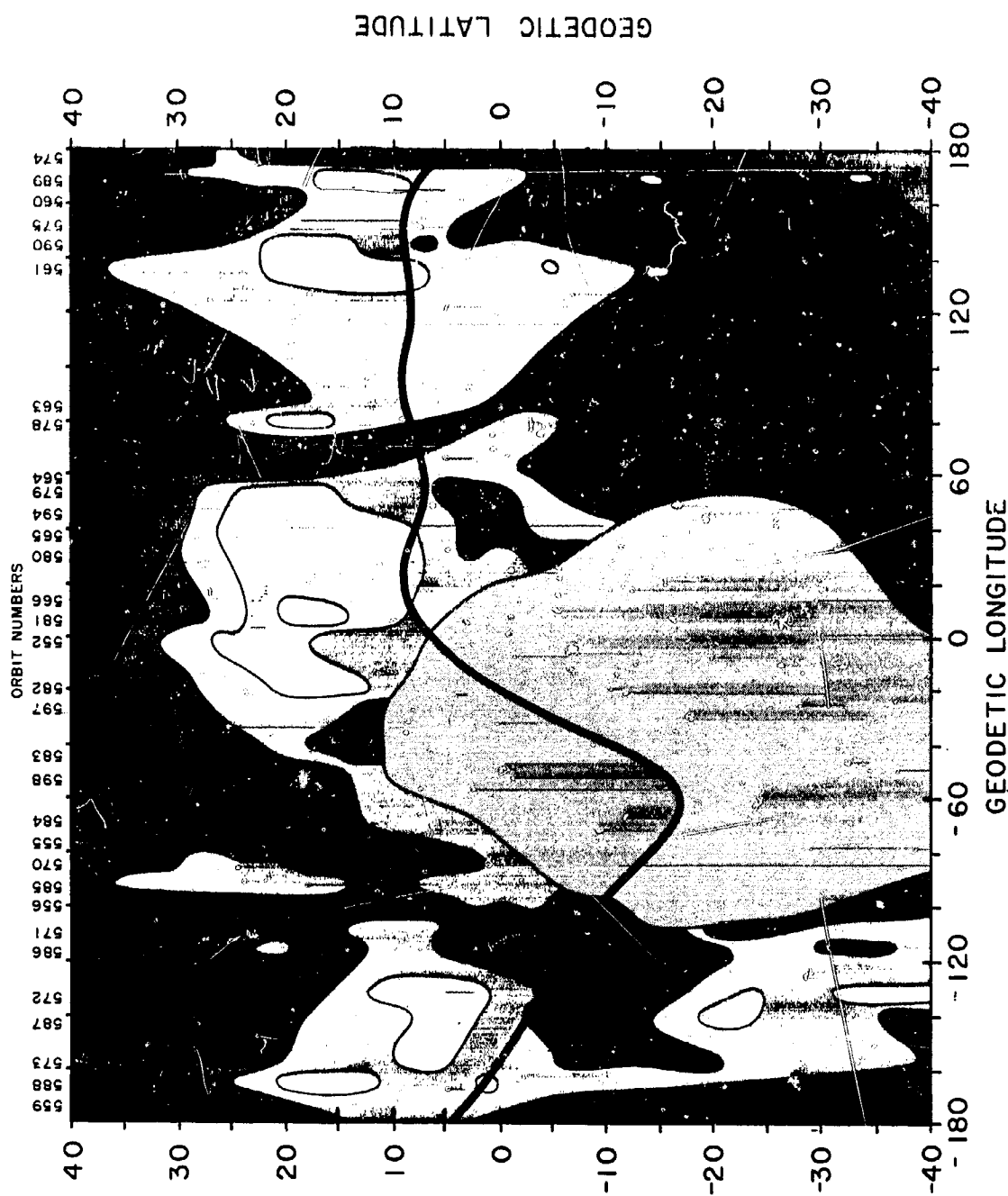
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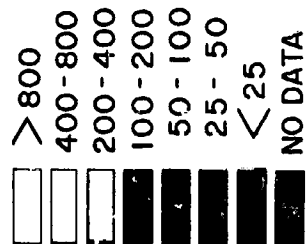
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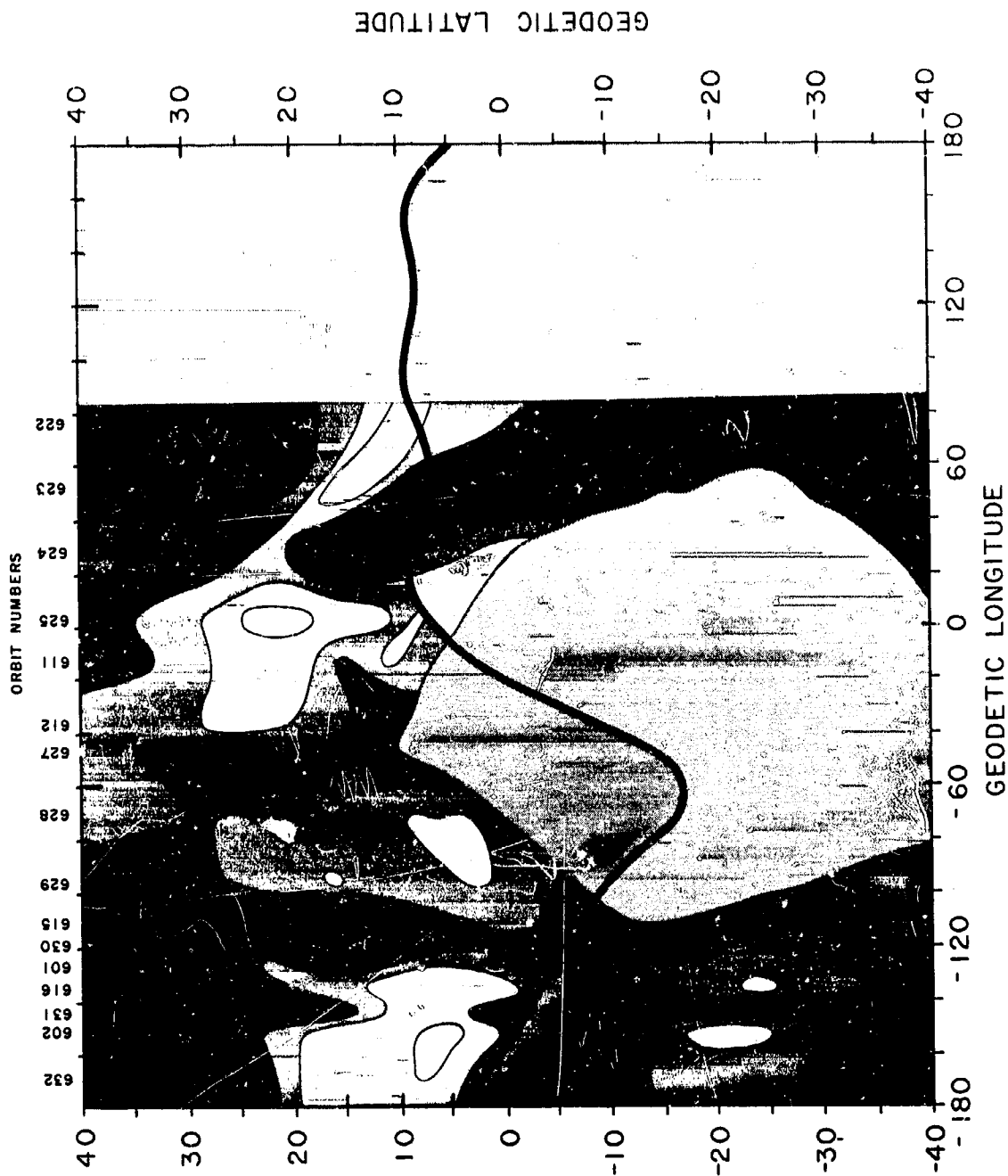
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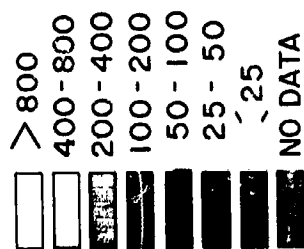
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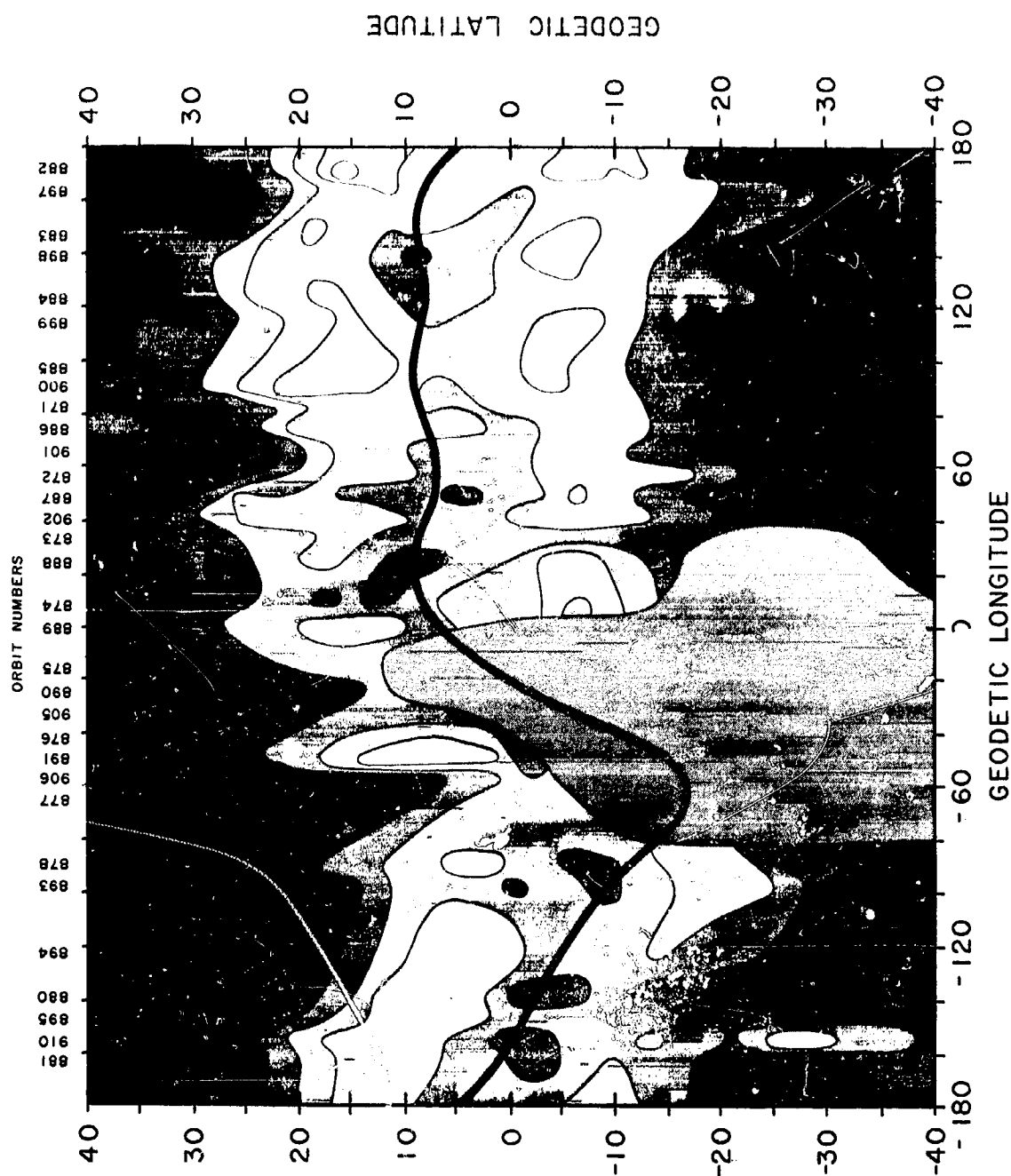
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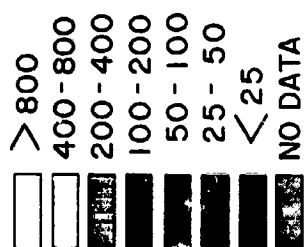
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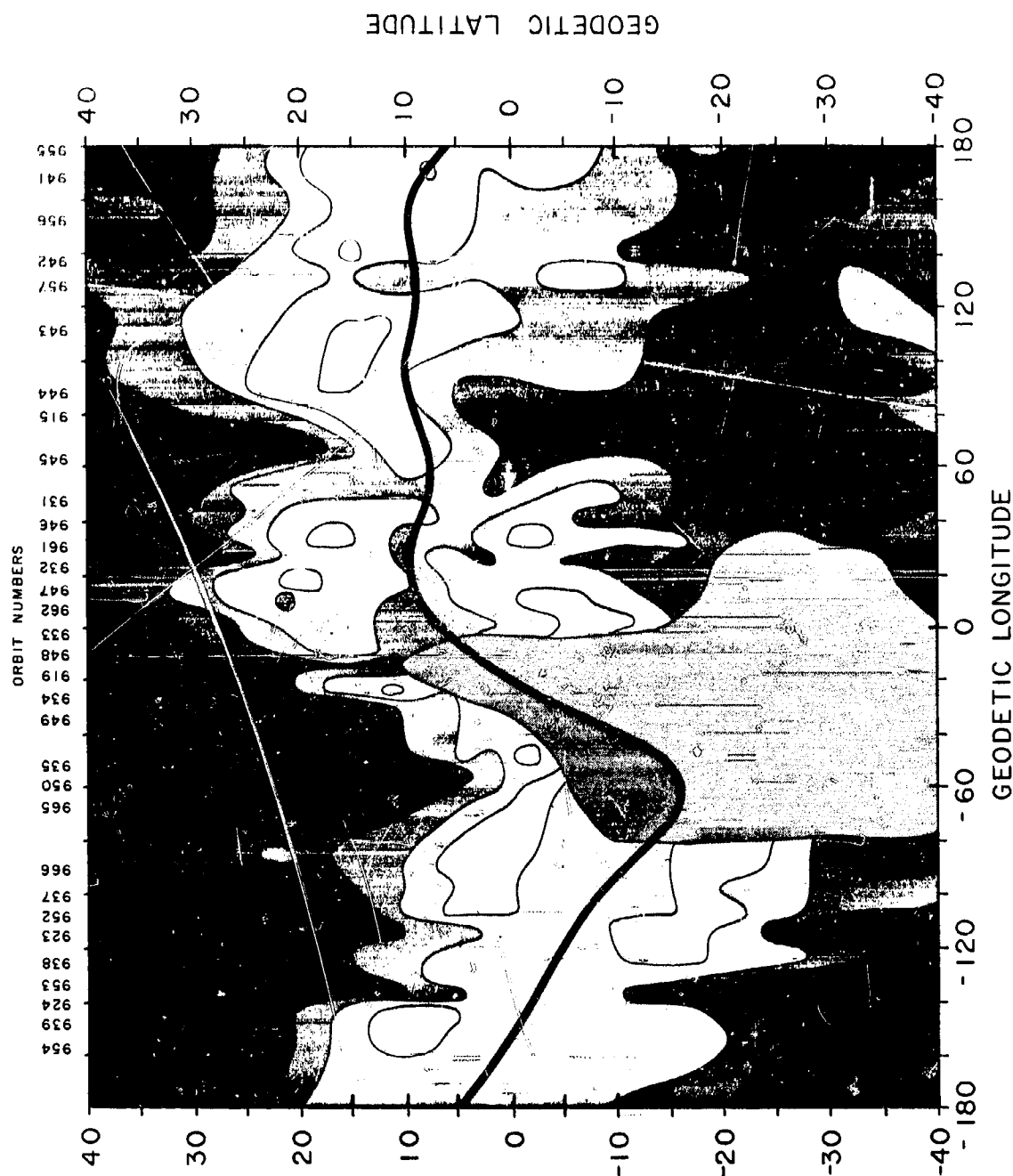
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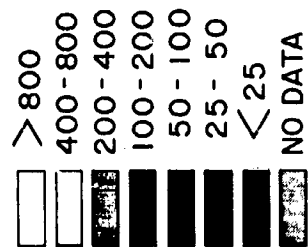
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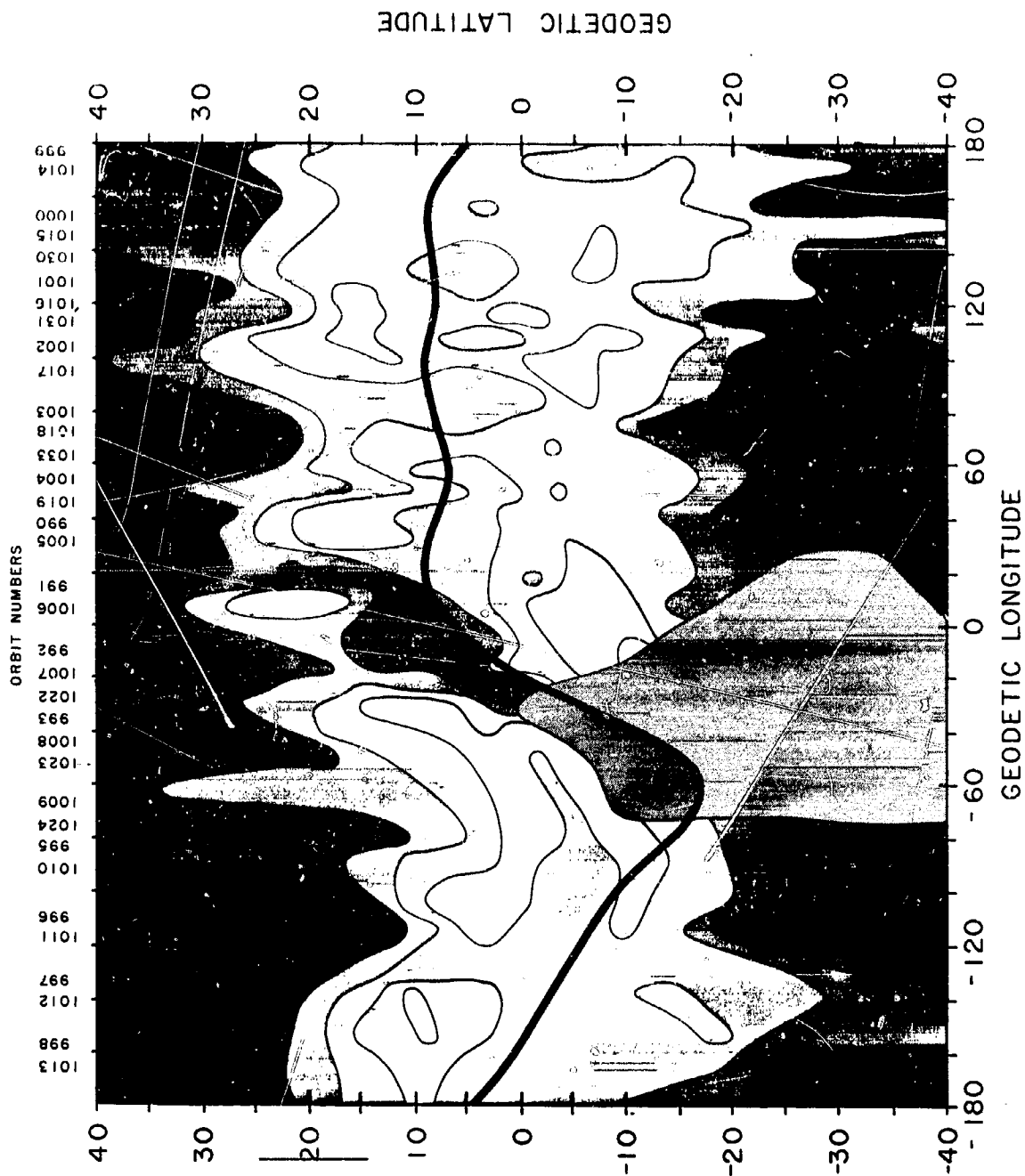
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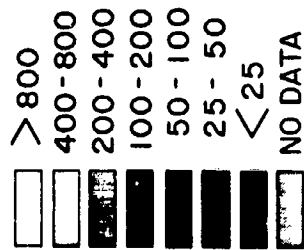
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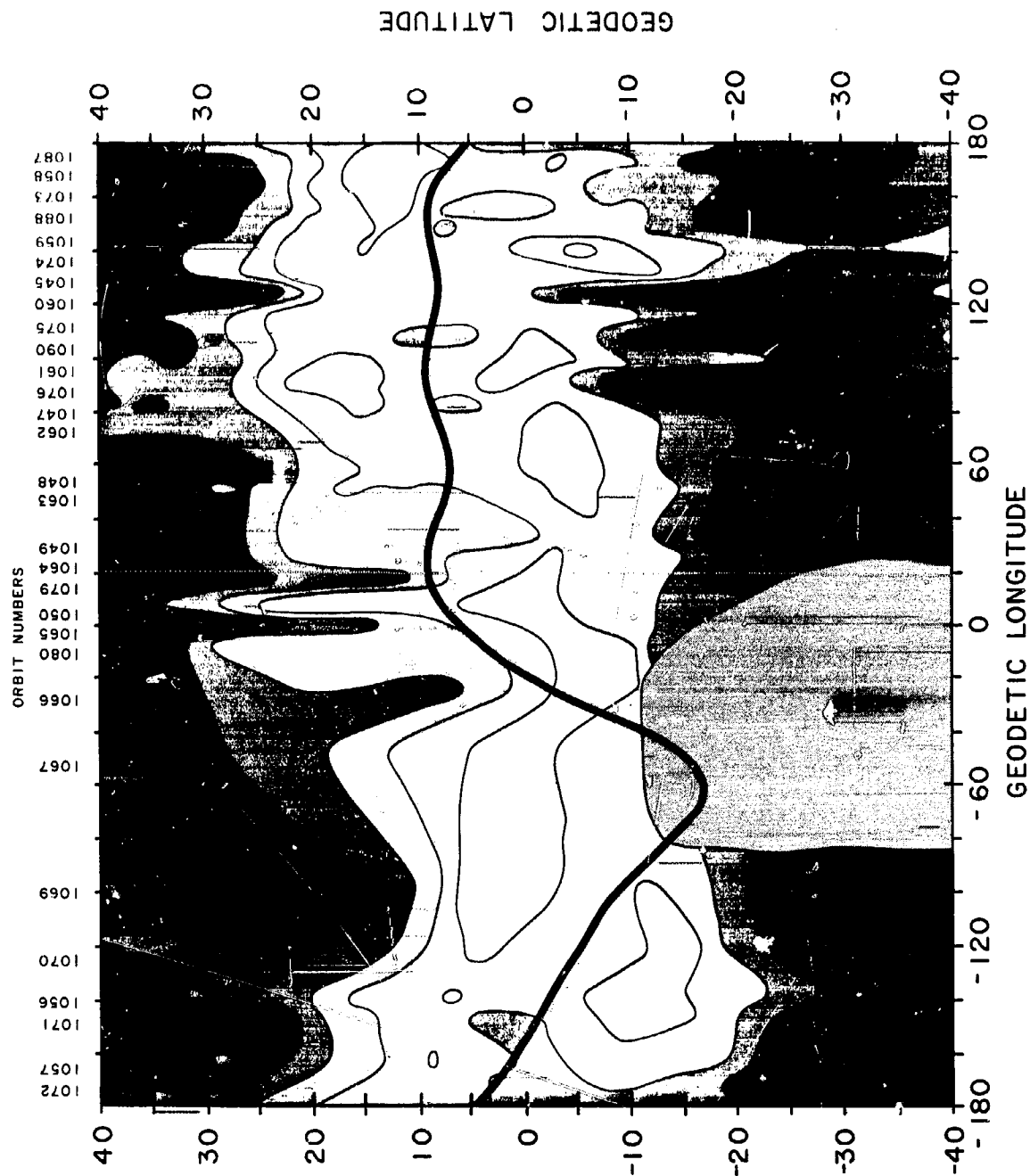
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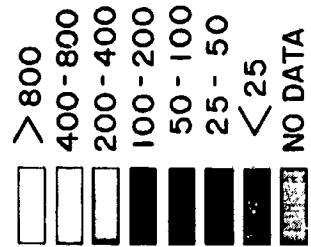
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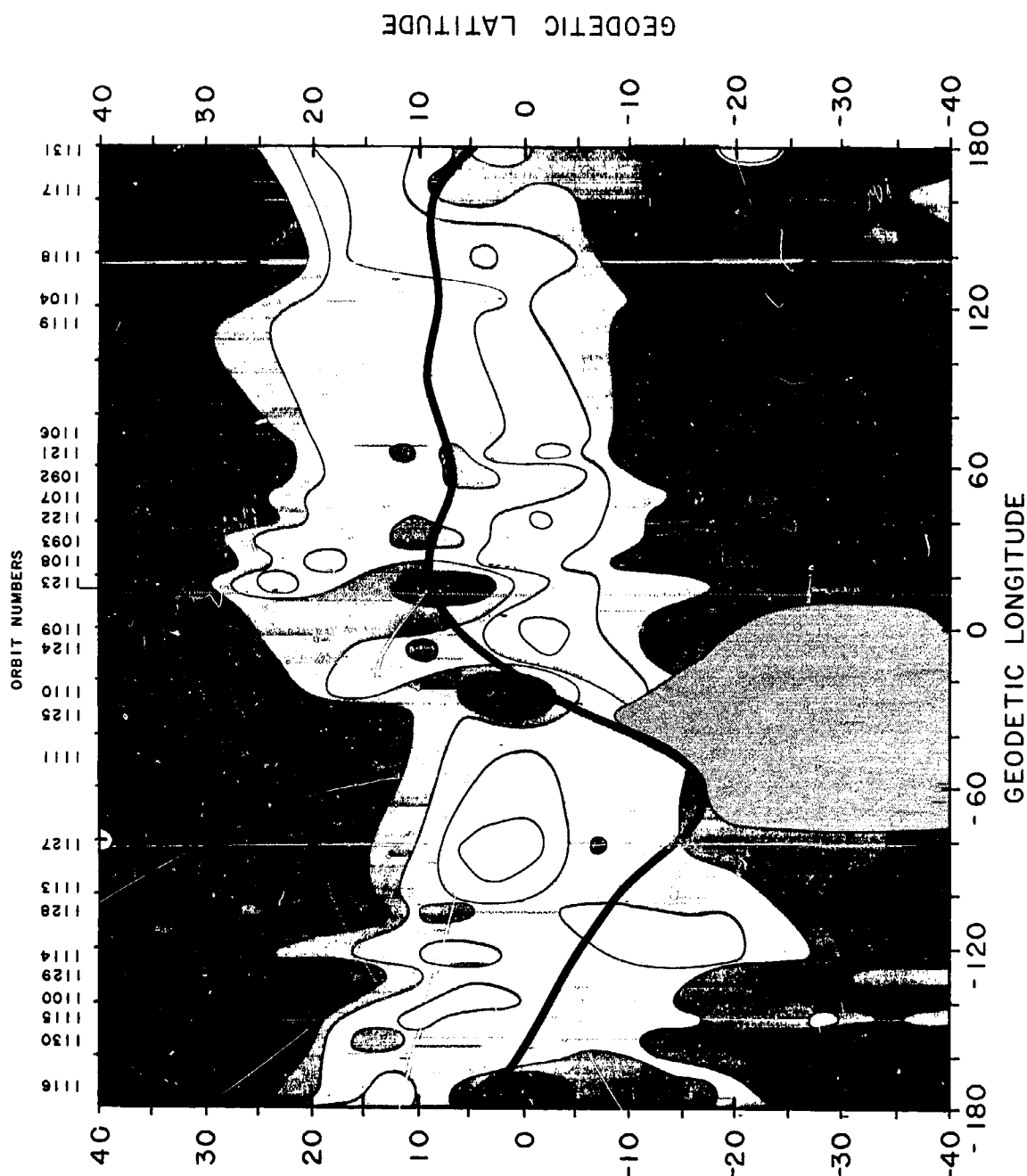
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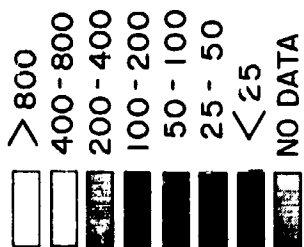
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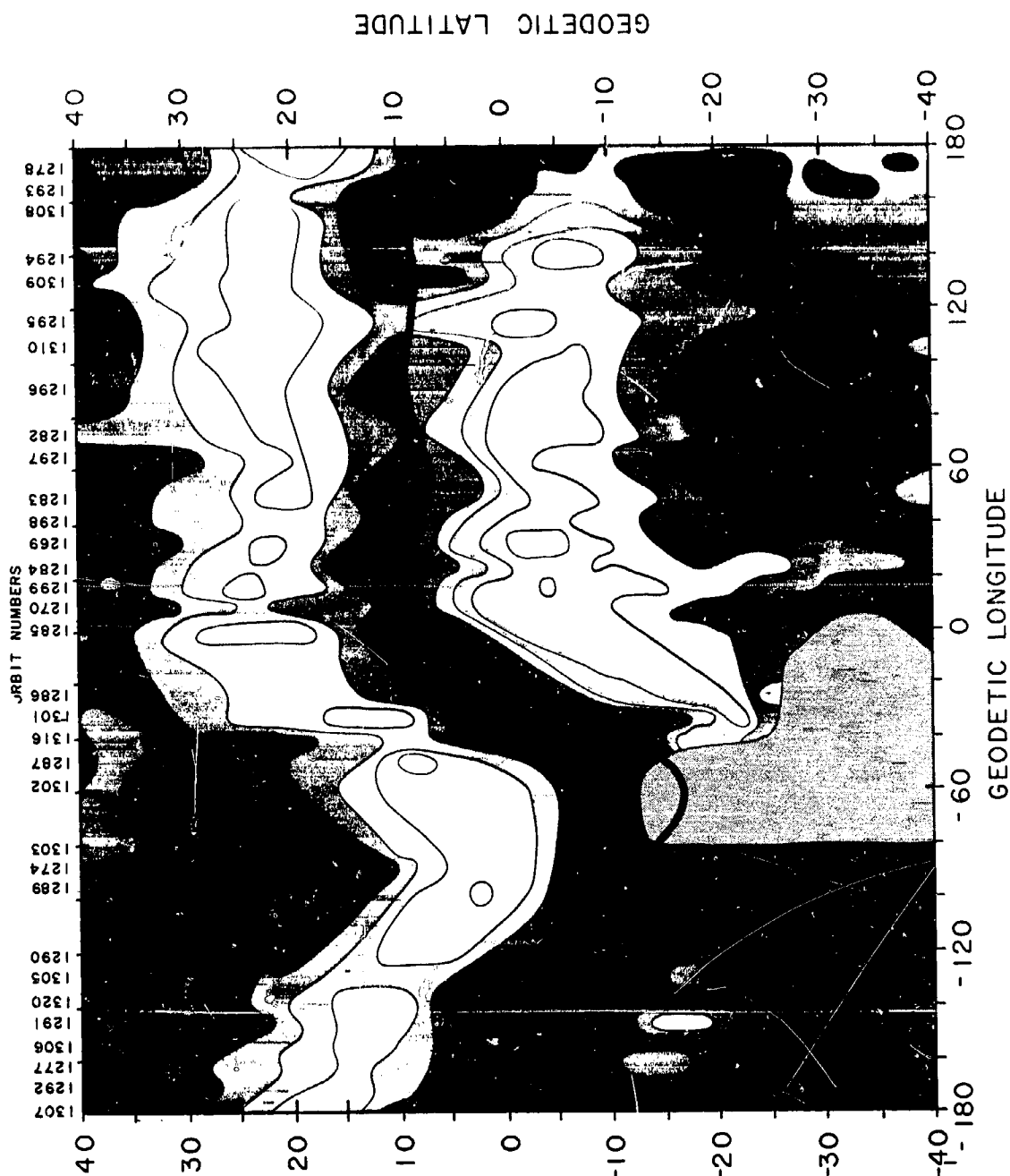
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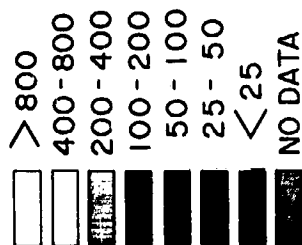
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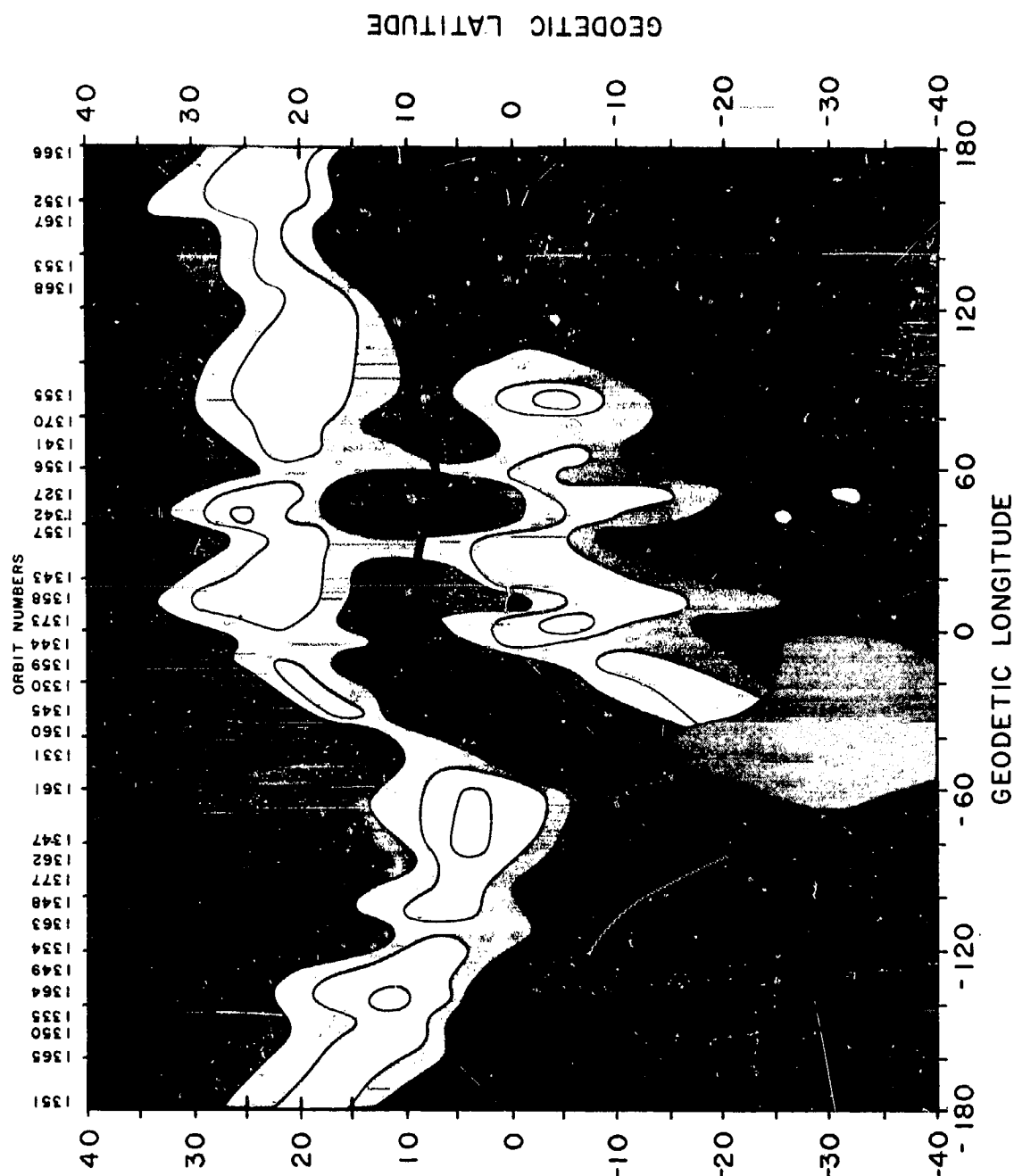
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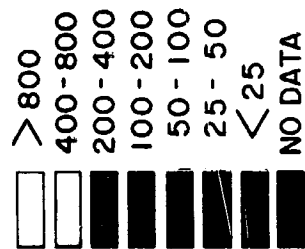
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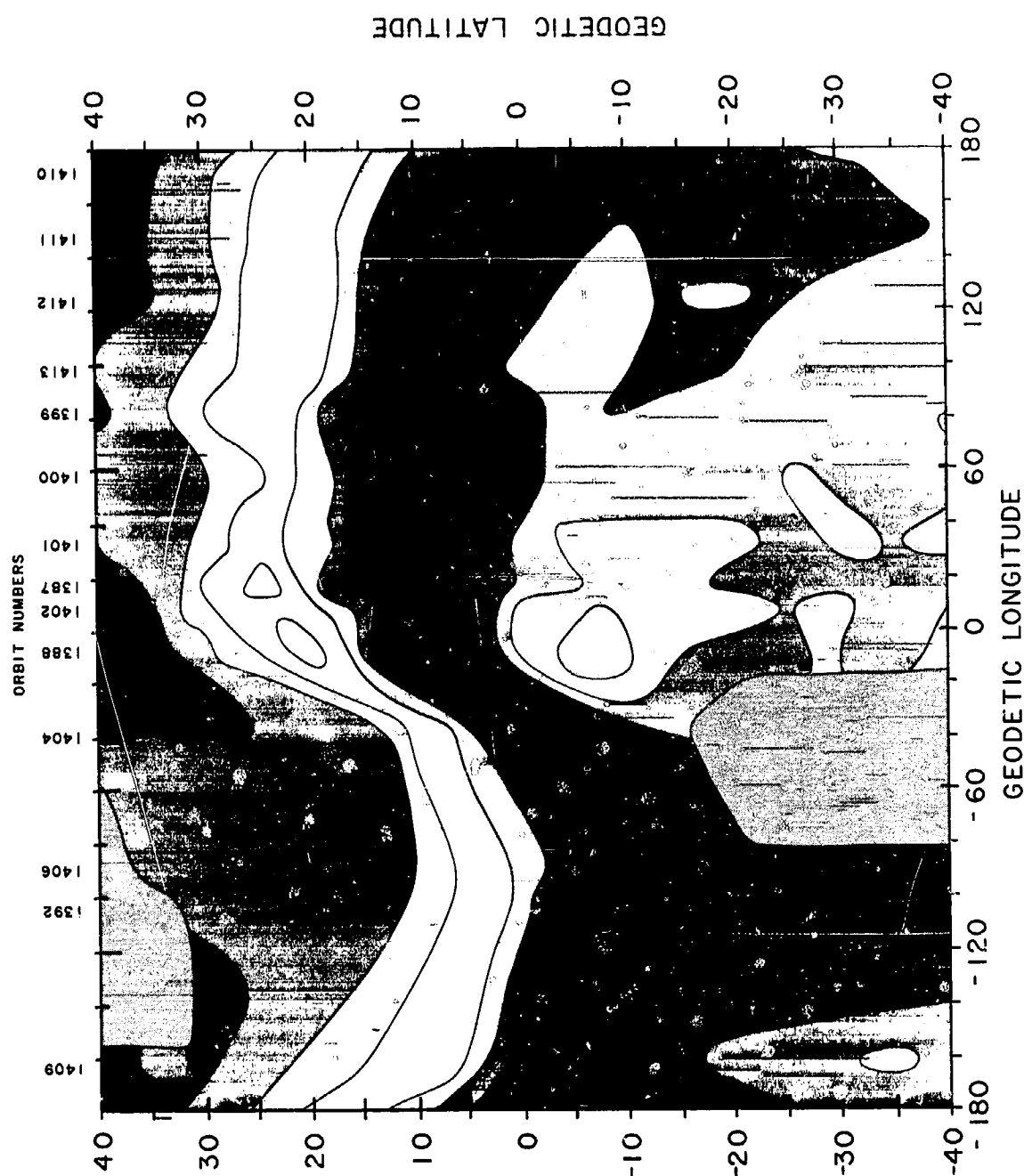
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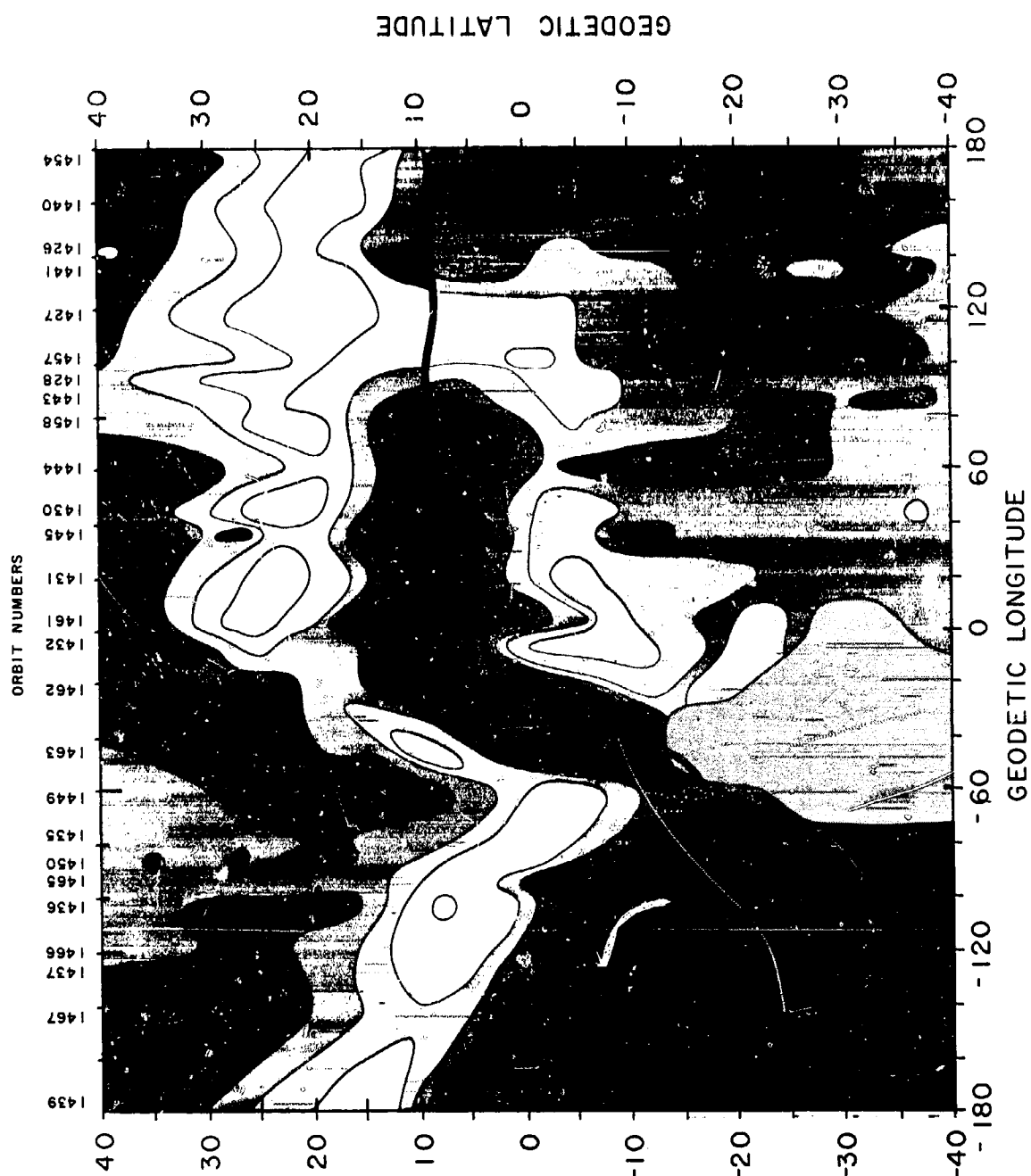
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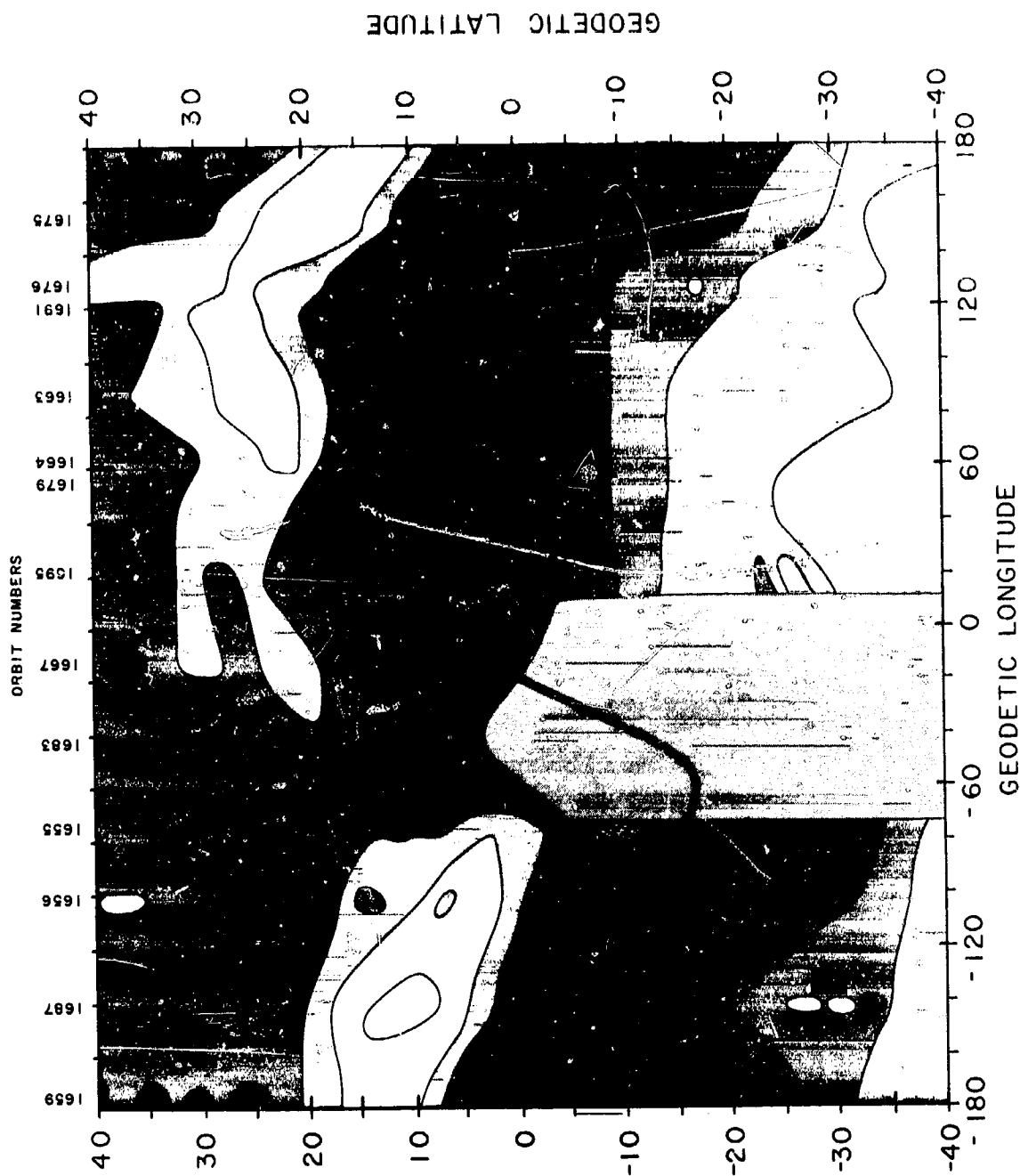
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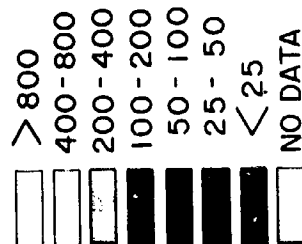
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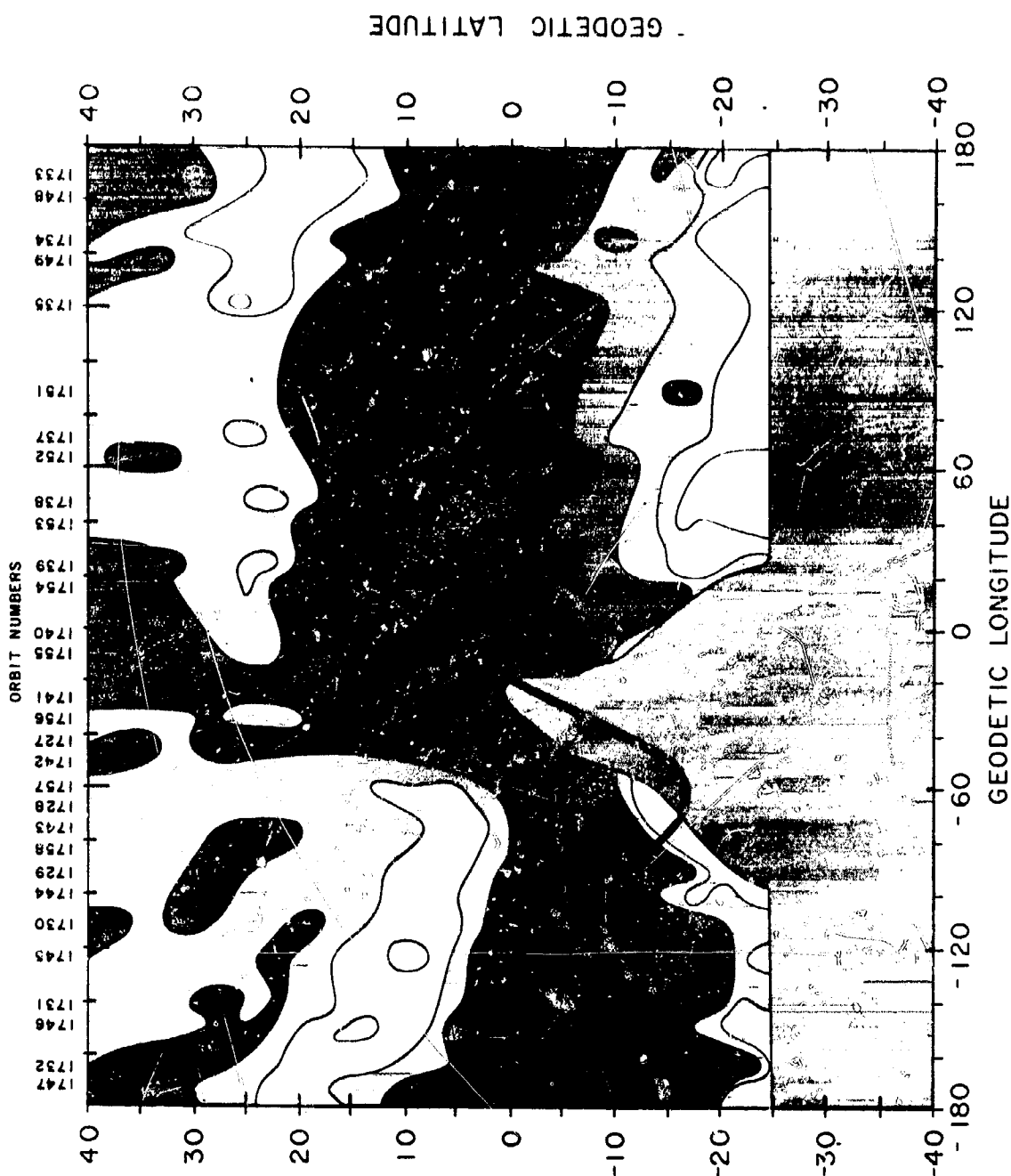
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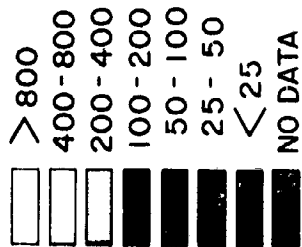
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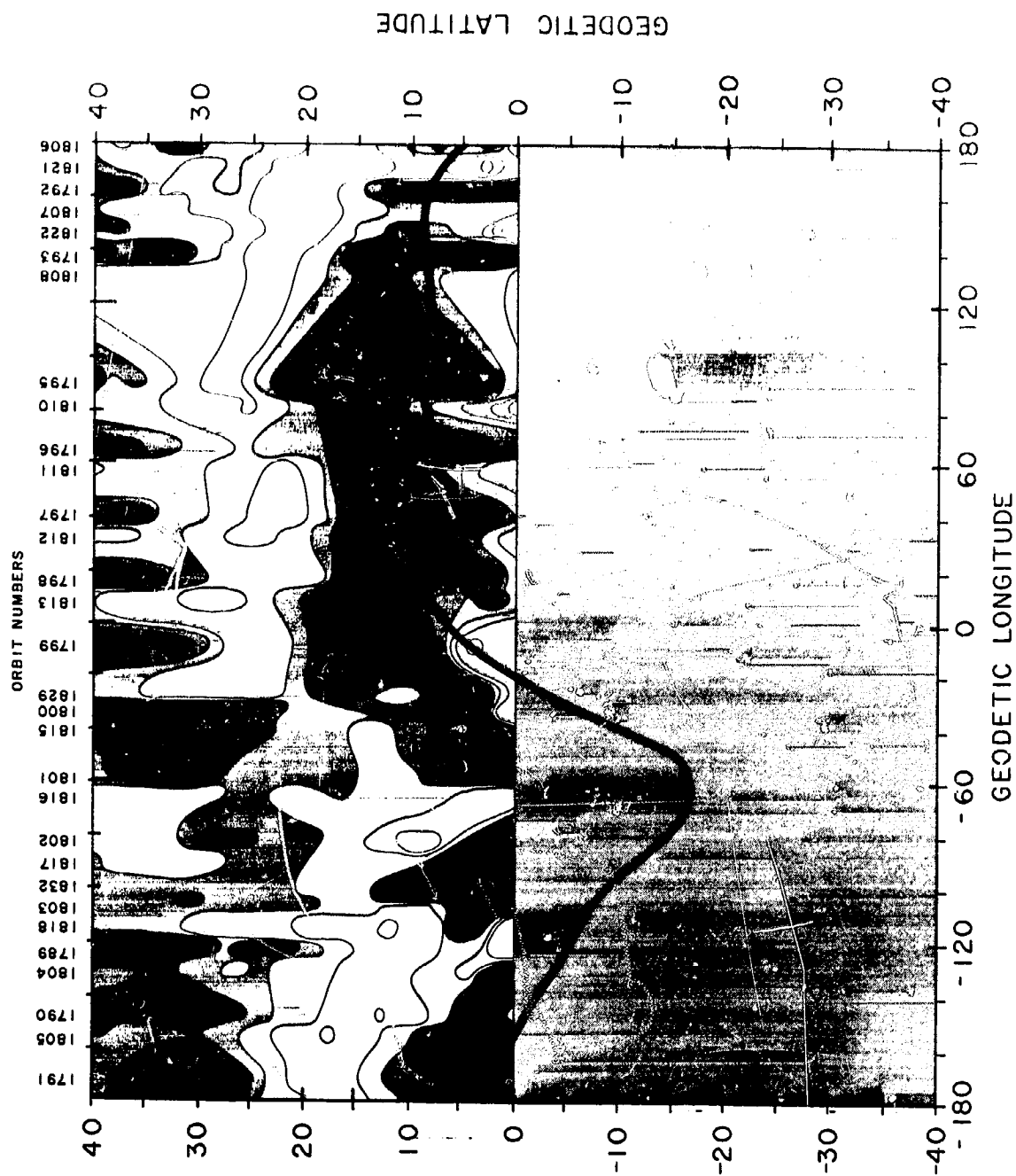
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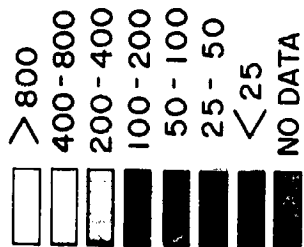
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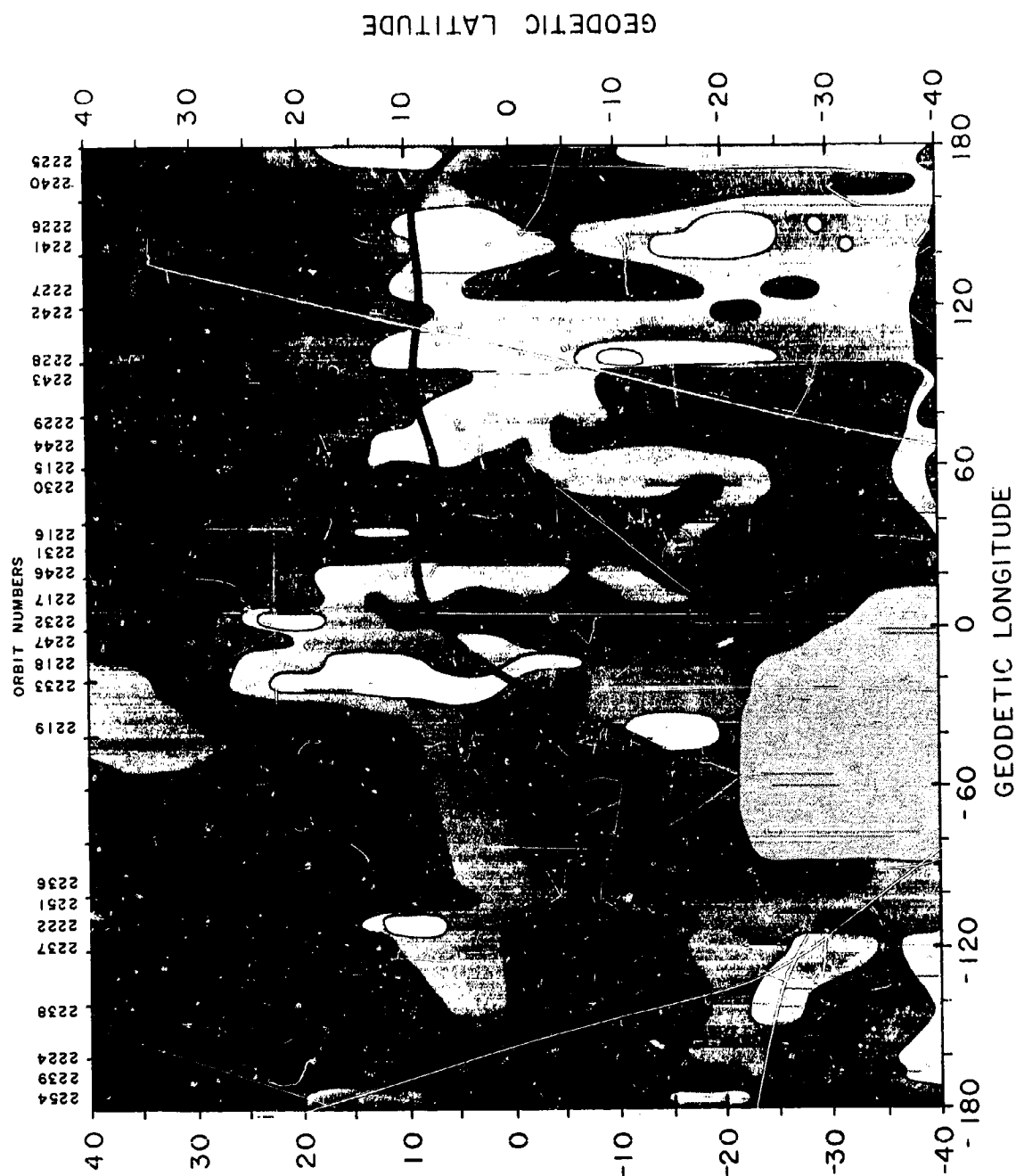
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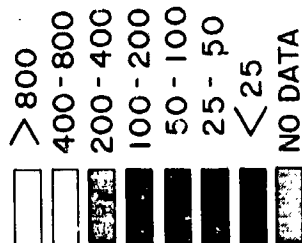
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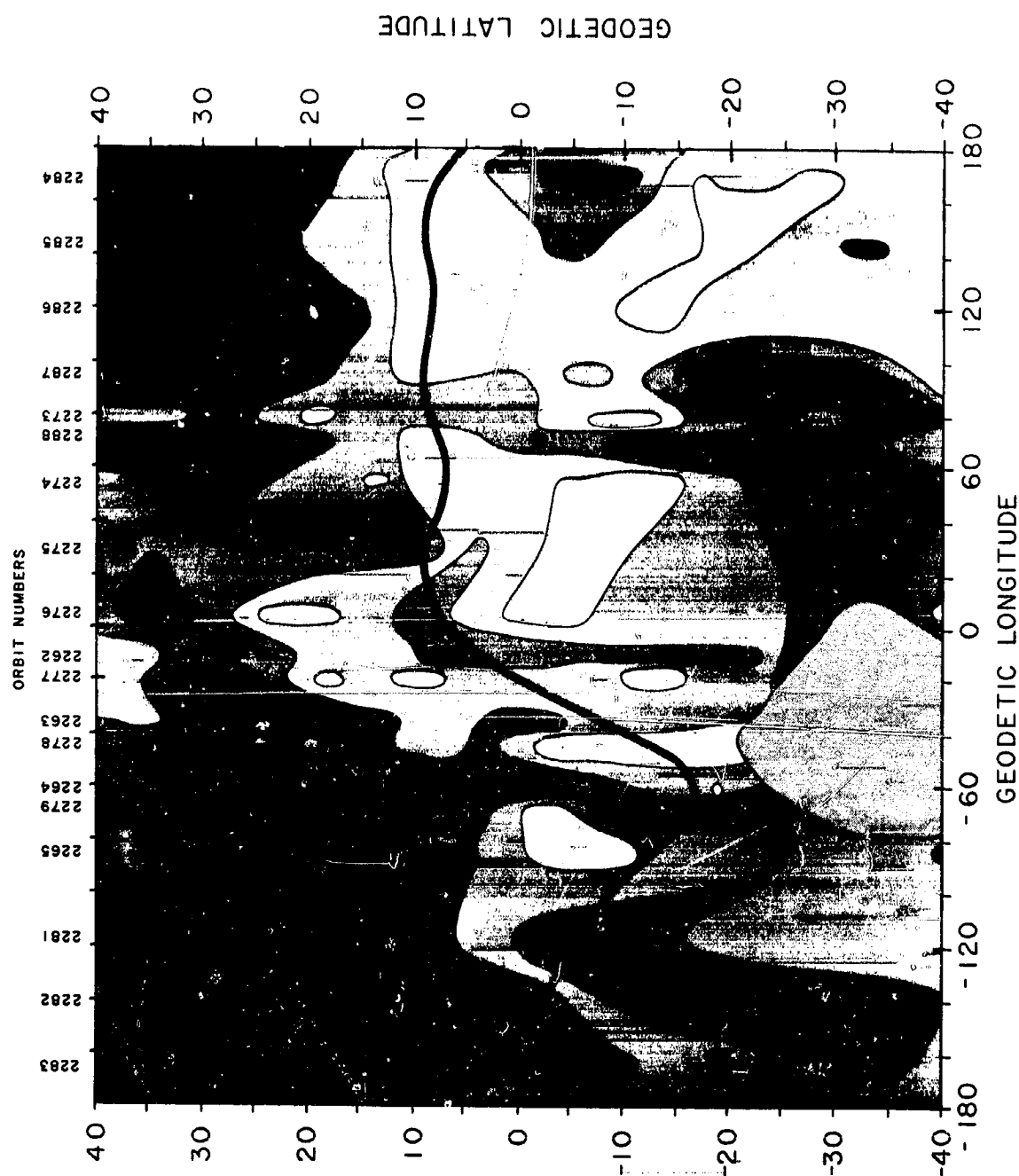
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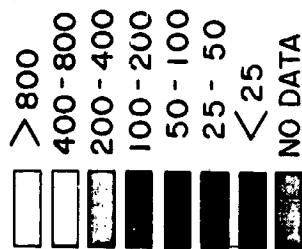
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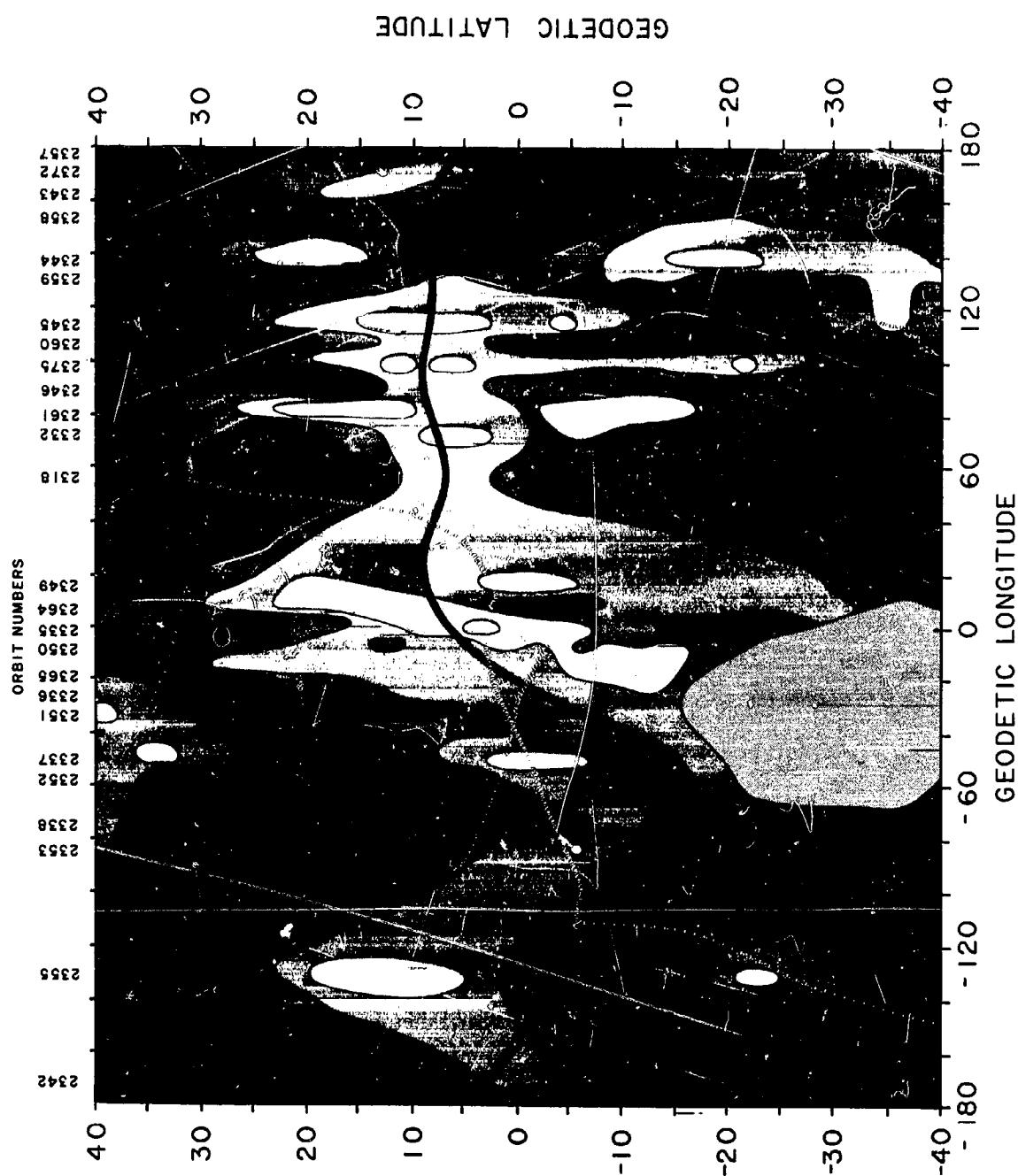
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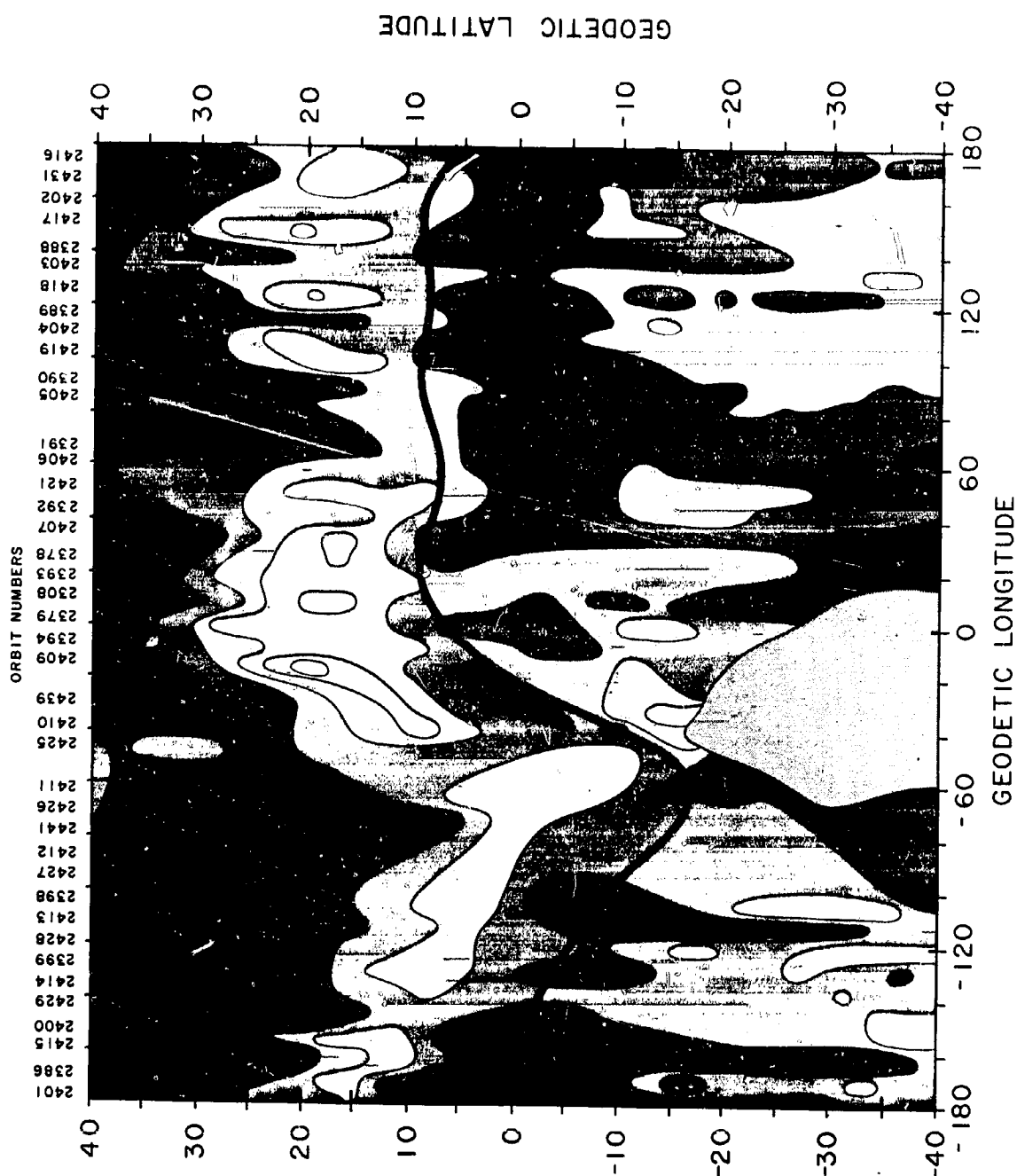
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